

Sunday School Festival

Sunday Schools of Sumter to Unite in Children's Entertainment

As a part of the wide-spread child welfare movement which has recently been inaugurated throughout the civilized world, the Sunday Schools of America have determined to hold a Children's Week, each State selecting the time best suited to its needs.

South Carolina has chosen the week beginning April 27th and ending May 4th, and Sumter will, of course, do her part.

The ministers of the city have agreed to preach on an appropriate subject, and the superintendents and teachers are urged to make every effort to secure better attendance and to increase their enrollment in all departments.

On the afternoon of May 1st from 6 to 7 o'clock, all children of Sumter under ten years of age are invited by the Sunday Schools of Sumter to an entertainment on the Graded School Square. A fine time is promised to all the little folks of the Primary and Beginners' classes, and even the children on the Cradle Roll who are able to walk about are asked to come and join in the fun.

Ministers and superintendents are asked to repeat this invitation at every service on Sunday.

If the weather is not suitable for an outdoor celebration the gymnasium at the Girls' High School will be used.

It is hoped that six hundred or more little guests will attend, and if this entertainment proves a success one for the older children will be held later.

The movement will be financed by the Sunday Schools, and the expenses will be small. Mr. P. G. Bowman has this matter in charge.

The program for the coming entertainment is as follows:

Drop Handkerchief—Little Sally Walker and others.

Circle Games—Sunday School Teachers helping.

Stories—By Miss McCauley, Miss Dorothy Phelps, Miss Esther Clark, Mrs. Rumph, Mrs. Green and Miss Anderson.

America, Keep the Home Fires Burning and others.

Songs—Miss Truitt, directing.

March—Sunday School Teachers helping.

Refreshments.

Fortunes—Told by Mrs. Thayer.

All white children in the city ten years or under, are cordially invited.

All ministers, Sunday School superintendents and teachers are invited.

The ministers of the city are asked to make an announcement of this entertainment at the prayer meeting services tonight.

Victory Loan Proclamation

Governor Cooper Calls on People Of State to Buy Bonds

Columbia, April 22.—Governor Cooper today issued a proclamation calling upon the citizens of South Carolina to support the Victory Liberty Loan Campaign which will be launched Monday and the war savings movement already under way. Governor Cooper's proclamation follows:

"Whereas, our own South Carolina boys have attracted to their native State the respect and admiration of the world because out of the 45 medals awarded by congress and the president, seven were given to South Carolinians; and the military authorities of Great Britain gave the highest honors to our sons—fighting for us; and

"Whereas, this war for the preservation of American institutions and the liberty of the individual citizen has been won, but has not yet been paid for; and

"Whereas, the government of the United States, has incurred heavy obligations in the conduct of the war, and great expenditures will be necessary to meet postwar conditions; now therefore

"I, Robert A. Cooper, Governor of South Carolina, do earnestly urge the people of South Carolina to subscribe to and in every way within their power to aid the Victory Liberty Loan; and that they invest to the full extent of their individual means so that the government of the United States may be able to meet its obligations."

ROBERT A. COOPER,
Governor of South Carolina.

Germany Accepts Conditions

Will Send Delegates With Full Powers to Negotiate

Paris, April 21 (By the Associated Press).—Germany has notified the allies that she accepts all the allied conditions respecting the Versailles peace congress. This official announcement was made tonight.

Germany will send the following delegates to the Versailles congress with full powers to negotiate.

Count von Brockdorff-Rantzau, foreign minister; Herr Landsberg, secretary for publicity, art and literature; Dr. Theodore Melchior, general manager of the Warburg Bank; Herr Leinhardt, president of the Prussian assembly and of the national soviet congress; Herr Geisberg, minister of posts and telegraphs, and Herr Schueching.

In all the German party will number 75. The arrival of the delegates can not be expected before April 28.

Revised Casualty List

American Army Had 33,887 Killed in Action in France

Washington, April 23.—Revised casualty totals announced today by the war department placed the total dead in the army and marine corps at 15,344 of which 33,887 were killed in action.

Labor Bureau and Employment Station

Discharged Soldiers Seeking Jobs and Those Needing Laborers Should Register

H. A. Woodard, colored farm demonstration agent for Sumter county, is conducting a labor bureau and employment station, under government auspices, to assist discharged colored soldiers in obtaining employment and at the same time supply laborers to farmers and others who need farm hands or other labor. He has already placed a number of farm hands and if those who want work and those who need hands will register with him he will be able to carry on the work more successfully. His address is H. A. Woodard, Farm Demonstration Agent, Postoffice Box 103, Sumter, S. C.

U. D. C. Convention

Daughters of Confederacy Meet in Darlington

Darlington, April 22.—The annual State convention, U. D. C., met in the auditorium of St. John's high school this evening. The convention was to have been held in Darlington last fall, but the meeting was postponed on account of the influenza epidemic.

The time for the convention was happily chosen as weather conditions are now ideal and at no season of the year is Darlington more beautiful. There are in attendance upon the convention many distinguished guests, men and women, whom Darlington is pleased to entertain and to hear. Among the speakers at the session this evening were Dr. E. W. Sikes president of Coker College, at Hartsville. The president general, Miss M. B. Poppenheim of Charleston, was expected to arrive in the city tonight. About 100 delegates are here, besides numerous other visitors.

The meetings of the convention are being held in the morning in the high school auditorium and in the afternoon and evening in the auditorium of the grammar school. Music for the convention is being furnished by the Darlington Music Club.

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Cotton For German Mills

Economic Council to Consider Proposals Today

Paris, April 21.—The supreme economic council will meet tomorrow to consider proposals to grant a limited supply of raw materials, notably cotton, to Germany to enable the factories there to start work and to relieve the unemployment which is said to be at the bottom of much of the disorder in Germany. The council, it is said, also will revise regulations for German exports required to pay for food imports and probably will discuss the new economic situation created by the slackening of the stockade regulations applied to Germany's neutral neighbors.

After April 25, goods and commodities may be shipped to the neutral countries adjoining Germany virtually without restriction, the neutrals themselves assuming responsibility against the reexport of prohibited wares to Germany. The "black list" rationing and allied control regulations will be abolished from that date.

Shipments may be made freely after April 21, from the United States and associated countries which consigned to neutral control organizations such as the Netherlands Overseas Trust and the Swiss and the Society of Surveillance without the necessity of cabling applications back and forth across the Atlantic.

Easter Election.

At the annual meeting of the congregation of the Church of the Holy Comforter held in the church on Monday evening, the 21st of April, the following gentlemen were elected to the vestry:

Wardens: Messrs. Mark Reynolds, Ernest Field.

Vestrymen: Messrs. H. L. Tisdale, Jos. Palmer, C. S. Anderson, C. E. Yeaton, W. W. Rees, W. Percy Smith, H. G. Osteen.

The delegates elected to represent this parish at the 139th annual meeting of the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this diocese, scheduled to be held in Prince George's Church, Georgetown, on the second Tuesday, being the 13th day of May, 1919, are as follows:

Messrs. W. Percy Smith, Ernest Field, H. L. Tisdale, C. S. Anderson. Alternates: Messrs. H. G. Osteen, Mark Reynolds, W. W. Rees.

NOTICE

The committee on the picnic dinner to be held on April 28th, asks that every one will remember not to bring food that has to be eaten with a fork and knife, and so a regular menu that any one can choose from has been selected:

Hm, fried chicken, roast fowl, roast turkey, stuffed eggs, hard boiled eggs, sandwiches of all kinds, biscuits, pickles, (don't forget the pickles), bread, cakes, pies. Any and all of these are good and can be handled well. Each and every one is expected to bring a box or a basket of lunch.

Will each lady on this committee bring a few flowers for the tables. Just bring them in a fruit jar.

Agnes M. Bogin,
Chairman of Committee.

City Council Meeting

Police to Stand Regular Examinations. Board of Health Request Enactment of Milk Ordinance

City Council met in regular session Tuesday night, 22nd instant, with all members present.

J. P. Commander presented a request for permission to erect a wooden frame corrugated iron-clad building on the China lot on South Main Street, south of the old Hotel Sumter. Action was deferred.

H. C. Haynsworth presented claim for reimbursement of cost of cleaning out ditch on Commerce and Calhoun streets. Action deferred.

R. E. Wilder, Chief of Fire Department, recommended necessary repairs on fire department headquarters the purchase of supplies for the quarters of firemen and the purchase of rubber coats and boots. The recommendations were approved and Councilman Booth and Chief Wilder were authorized to have the repairs made and to purchase the supplies and equipment needed.

Property owners of North Purdy Street filed a petition for the construction of a sewer line on Purdy street north of Calhoun. The matter was referred to W. W. McKagen to ascertain probable cost of requested extension, report to be made at next Council meeting.

J. M. Harby submitted bid on repairs to roof of City Hall and interior of Opera House for \$267.50. The bid was accepted.

R. O. Purdy and A. A. Howell filed petition for extension of water main on Broad Street beyond city limits. The request was refused, but Council agreed to permit petitioners to make the extension at their own expense and connect with city water main, they to pay the regular rates for water used.

City Clerk Rhame was directed to obtain prices on an incinerator for the disposal of city garbage.

H. L. Tisdale, Secretary of the Board of Health, filed a request for the enactment of an ordinance forbidding the sale of milk within the city except from cows that have been properly and regularly tested and found to be free from tuberculosis. The matter will be investigated and taken up for consideration at the next Council meeting.

Recorder Harby was requested to instruct the members of the police force as to their duties and powers and to require the police to stand regular quarterly examinations, the result of the same to be reported to Council by the Recorder.

J. M. Barwick was elected First Sergeant of the police force at a salary of \$110 a month.

A resolution was adopted directing the clerk to increase the insurance on the City Hall property \$5,000.

The bill for the city's share for the support of Camp Alice was approved and ordered paid. Under the terms

of the agreement with the County Board of Commissioners the city pays one-half the cost of maintaining Camp Alice, the county and individuals citizens have borne the expense of construction and equipment. The city has paid on account of Camp Alice during the past nine months the total amount of \$1,399.50.

Whereas it has been determined by the white citizens of Sumter County, in mass meeting assembled, to have a reception on Monday, April 28th, for the white boys of Sumter county who have been in the service of the United States during the world war, and

Whereas the committee, which was appointed by said meeting to make the arrangements for the reception, have spared no effort in trying to make this an occasion long to be remembered, and for such purpose they have provided a very instructive, attractive and interesting program, and

Whereas it is desired to give all the citizens of the county an opportunity to attend this meeting, and do honor to the boys who have, in the providence of God, been permitted to return, now, therefore

I, L. D. Jennings, as Mayor of the City of Sumter, do declare and proclaim that Monday, April 28, 1919, should be observed by all of the City of Sumter as a holiday.

L. D. JENNINGS,
Mayor of the City of Sumter.

Realize how easy it is to save by buying Thrift Stamps.

At a meeting of the Red Cross Home Service Committee last week, the following members of the Committee were elected to attend the Red Cross Conference in Florence, S. C., May 8th, 9th and 10th: Mr. Horace Harby, Chairman; Mrs. Ferd Levi, Miss Mamie Chandler, Executive Secretary. This will be a conference of the Eastern counties of South Carolina. The counties in this district are: Chesterfield, Clarendon, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Georgetown, Horry, Lee, Marion, Marlboro, Sumter, Williamsburg.

The topics to be considered will be: Our Program During Demobilization; Home Service in Families; Organization of Sections; Compensation; Vocational Training; Home Service and Child Welfare; The Future of Home Service, and others.

Competent speakers will be present from the Division Headquarters, but the effective work of the conference will be done at the "Round Table" Meetings, of which there will be four. A specially interesting feature will be a class for Home Service Secretaries, conducted by Miss Ada S. Woolfolk, Assistant Director of the Department of Civilian Relief, Southern Division, American Red Cross. This is quite a privilege for Home Service Workers and a large attendance is expected at the Conference.

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Sumter County Celebrates

ON MONDAY, APRIL 28TH

Welcome Home the Heroes of The World War!

A County wide Basket Picnic. in honor of the returned white soldiers and sailors of every branch of the service, who served at home or abroad.

Every family invited to participate and bring a Basket of "Good Things To Eat," which should be delivered to the Serving Committee of Ladies on the City School Square by eleven o'clock, Monday morning, April 28th.

PROGRAMME

10 A. M.—Big Military Parade forms.

11:30 A. M. to 1:30 P. M.—Speeches by selected Orators.

Music throughout the day and night by a Camp Jackson Military Band.

2 P. M.—County Wide Basket Picnic.

3:30 P. M. to 6:00 P. M.—Demonstrations by Terrible Engine of Death and Destruction, a Genuine War Tank, that participated in the war and operated by veterans who operated these machines in Battle Over Seas.

Baseball during the afternoon between picked Nines, one from among returned service men.

3 to 11 P. M. at Academy of Music—The Wonderful and Thrilling Motion Picture, "The Price of Peace" taken by the U. S. Government on the Battle fields of France and showing actual battle scenes.

9 P. M.—Grand Open Air Dance on Washington Street between Hampton and Liberty participated in by everybody. Buildings beautifully decorated.

All business to be suspended in Sumter, and throughout the County so get ready and be with the crowd rejoicing, and spread the "Glad Tidings".

Everything absolutely FREE except the Base Ball Game and that Free to Service Men.

E. S. BOOTH, Gen. Chairman